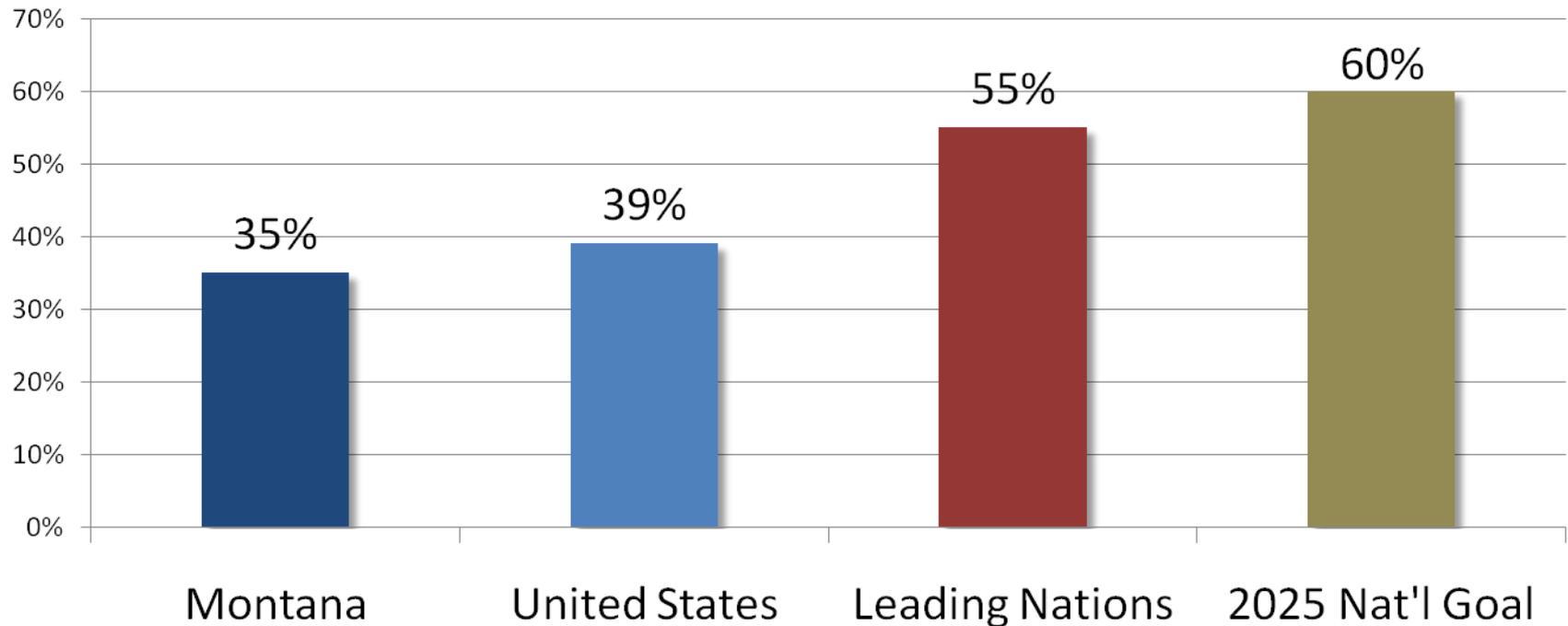


Job 1:
**Increasing Educational Attainment
in Montana**

Young Adult Degree Attainment, 2008

Ages 25-34 with Associate's Degree or Higher

source: OECD, Education at a Glance 2008



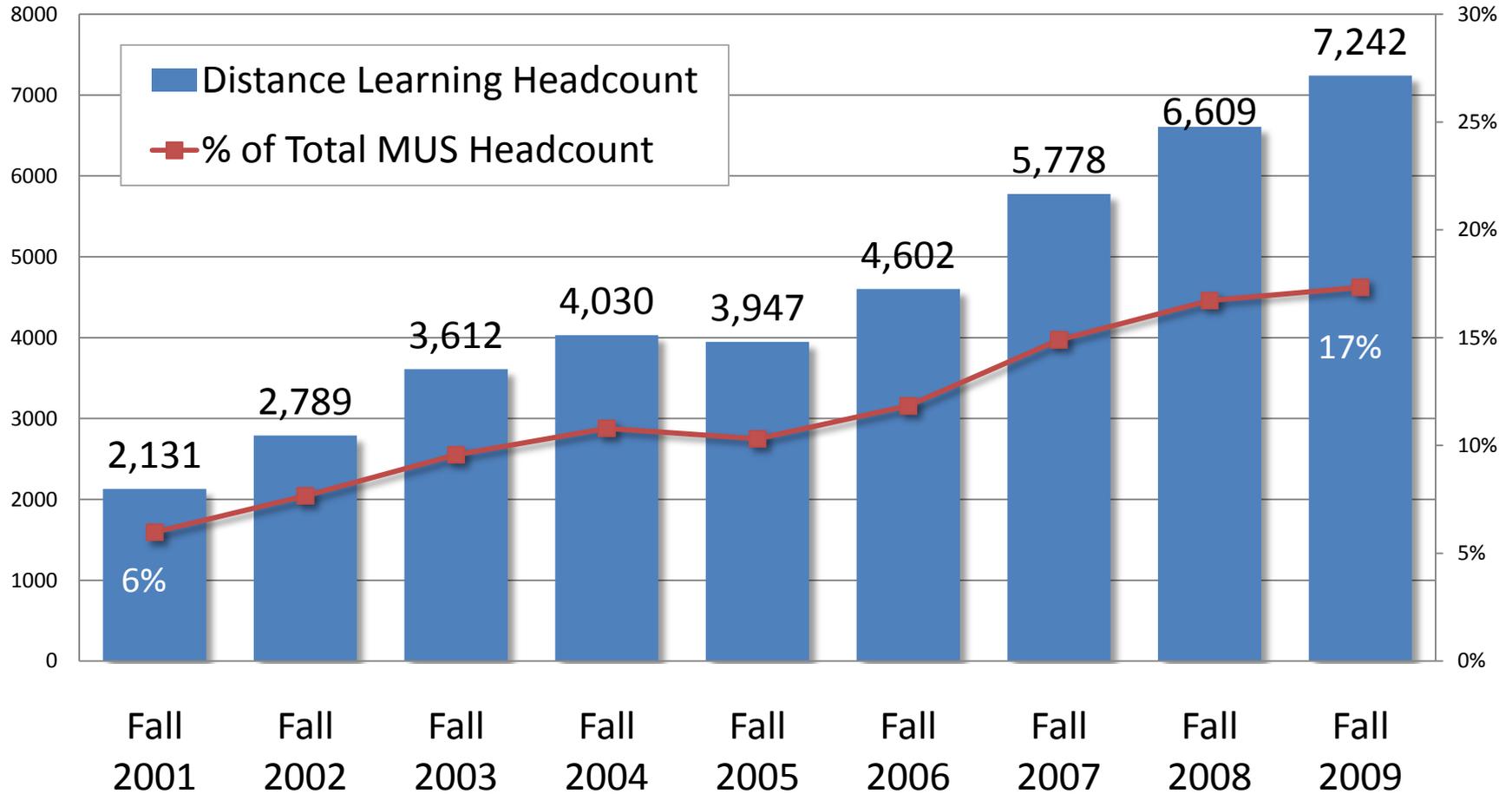
- Montana, as well as the entire United States, trails behind leading nations in the percentage of young adults with a higher education credential.
- In order to keep pace with leading nations, the U.S. must produce 16 million more degree recipients above its projected output (48 million) by 2025.

Enrollment Highlights

- ⦿ Fall 2009 & Spring 2010 -- highest enrollment levels in MUS history
- ⦿ Over 45,000 students enrolled (unduplicated headcount)
- ⦿ FTE increased by more than 15% since Fall 1999, (over 6% since Fall 2008)
- ⦿ 4,300 more resident student FTE served than ten years ago
- ⦿ Headcount at COTs grew by more than 4,000 students over the past ten years

Distance Learning Enrollment

Unduplicated Headcount in the MUS



*courses where instruction is delivered entirely outside of the traditional classroom setting and there is no “in-person” contact between student and teacher; source: MUS data warehouse, does not include CC’s